Exploitation of labourers in Private Organised Sector

†1738. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of labourers employed in private organised sector;

(b) whether there is any provision for Wage Board on industrial level for pay scales and other services condition of the labourers in that sector on the lines of Pay Commission of Government employees;

(c) if not, whether Government are aware that Jute, Textiles, Sugar, Steel, Aluminium and other private engineering industries are grossly violating the labour laws and employees are openly exploiting the labourers; and

(d) if so, the action proposed in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) Number of persons employed in private organised sector relating to non-agricultural establishments employing 10 or more persons as on 31.03.2004 was estimated at 8.25 million.

(b) Under Section 9 and 13 (c) of the Working Journalists and other Newspaper Employees (Conditions of Service & Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1955, there is provision for constituting Wage Boards for Working Journalists and Non-Journalists Newspaper employees for fixing or revising the rates of wages.

(c) and (d) Implementation of labour laws in the Central and State Spheres, including the Industries mentioned, is secured by the implementation machineries of the appropriate Governments in terms of the relevant provisions of the respective Acts.

Educated unemployed in the country

†1739. MISS ANUSUIYA UIKEY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of educated unemployed in the country;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.